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## DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT: Single Manager for Conventional Ammunition (SMCA)

- References: (a) DoD Directive 5160.65, subject as above, November 17, 1981 (hereby canceled)  
(b) DoD 5160.65-M, "Single Manager for Conventional Ammunition (Implementing Joint Conventional Ammunition Policies and Procedures)," April 1989, authorized by this Directive  
(c) DoD 5025.1-M, "DoD Directives System Procedures," August 1994, authorized by DoD Directive 5025.1, June 24, 1994  
(d) Section 2208 of title 10, United States Code  
(e) DoD Instruction 5160.68, "Single Manager for Conventional Ammunition (SMCA): Responsibilities of the SMCA and the Military Services," March 3, 1995  
(f) Joint Pub 1-02, "Department of Defense Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms," March 23, 1994, authorized by DoD Directive 5025.12, August 23, 1989

**A. REISSUANCE AND PURPOSE**

This Directive:

1. Reissues reference (a) to update policy and agency responsibilities for the SMCA.
2. Assigns the SMCA mission, within the Department of Defense, to the Secretary of the Army.
3. Continues to authorize the publication of reference (b), consistent with reference (c).

**B. APPLICABILITY**

This Directive applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Unified Combatant Commands, and the Defense Agencies (hereafter referred to collectively as "the DoD Components"). The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marine Corps.

**C. DEFINITION**

A term used in this Directive is defined in enclosure 1.

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D. POLICY

It is DoD policy that:

1. Under the authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Army is assigned the SMCA mission within the Department of Defense with the power to redelegate, within the Army, those authorities for the performance of the functions outlined in this Directive.

2. The objectives of the SMCA mission are to:

a. Achieve the highest possible degree of efficiency and effectiveness in the DoD operations required to acquire top quality conventional ammunition for U.S. forces during peacetime and mobilization.

b. Integrate the wholesale conventional ammunition logistic functions of the Military Departments to the maximum extent practicable, thereby eliminating unwarranted overlap and duplication and increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of the overall conventional ammunition program.

c. Maintain an integrated production and logistic base to meet peacetime, surge, and mobilization requirements for assigned ammunition.

3. The SMCA (or the Department of the Army) shall develop and maintain the Charter for a Conventional Ammunition Working Capital Fund (CAWCF), in coordination with other Military Services, which shall be approved by the Comptroller of the Department of Defense, under 10 U.S.C. 2208 (reference (d)), for managing, controlling, financing, accounting, and reporting for the procurement of ammunition components and end items. Standard prices and pricing procedures shall be established in accordance with the CAWCF or otherwise authorized by DoD Regulations.

4. The DoD Components shall coordinate, collaborate, and support the SMCA mission regarding ammunition functions, responsibilities, and authorities retained by them, and as specified in this Directive, including the periodic exchange of data and information on the quantity, location, and condition of SMCA-assigned ammunition stocks.

E. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology shall:

a. Provide acquisition policy and guidance for the SMCA mission and coordinate the appraisal of acquisition operations under this Directive.

b. Ensure that the Director, Strategic and Tactical

Systems (D,S&TS), shall:

(1) Have principal OSD staff responsibility for SMCA activities and policies. Any change to this Directive requires approval by the D,S&TS.

(2) Provide policy and guidance for the SMCA mission and direct the appraisal of operations under this Directive.

(3) Appraise and facilitate, in collaboration with other DoD Components, overall performance of the SMCA in accomplishing the mission objectives in subsection A.2., above.

2. The Comptroller of the Department of Defense shall provide financial management policy and guidance for the SMCA mission.

3. The Secretary of the Army shall:

a. Designate a flag officer or civilian equivalent as the SMCA Executor, with the responsibilities outlined in DoD Instruction 5160.68 (reference (e)), who will designate an Executive Director for Conventional Ammunition (EDCA).

b. Prepare and issue a charter, in coordination with the other Military Services, to be approved by the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, establishing the manner in which the responsibilities and authorities assigned to the SMCA for accomplishment of the assigned mission shall be executed.

c. Maintain a dedicated management organization, with joint-Service staffing, located in the National Capital Region to provide managerial oversight of SMCA and to assist the EDCA in the performance of activities of a joint nature necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the SMCA Executor. This joint- Service organization shall report directly to the EDCA.

d. Approve, in coordination with other Military Department Secretaries, a table of distribution and allowances for the dedicated EDCA management organization.

4. The Secretaries of the Military Departments shall:

a. Perform the responsibilities outlined in reference (e).

b. Retain ammunition acquisition and management responsibilities that are not delegated to the SMCA.

c. Designate a single office within each Military Service through which direct coordination shall be maintained with the EDCA on implementation of SMCA operational responsibilities and planning, programming, budgeting, and funding for SMCA-related functions.

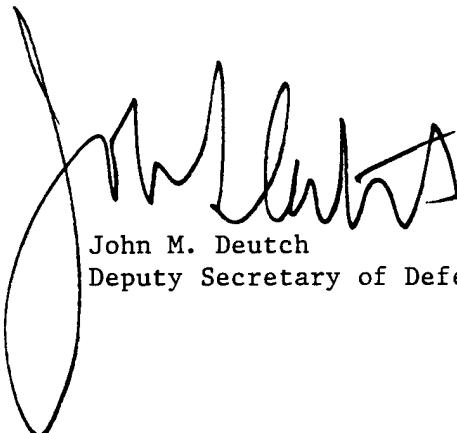
d. Coordinate, collaborate, and support the SMCA mission on ammunition functions, responsibilities, and authorities retained by them. This shall include the periodic exchange of data and information on the quantity, location, and condition of SMCA-assigned ammunition stocks.

F. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective immediately.

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Definition

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DEFINITION

Conventional Ammunition. A device charged with explosives, propellants, pyrotechnics, or initiating composition for use in connection with defense or offense, including demolitions. Certain ammunition can be used for training, ceremonial, or non-operational purposes (Joint Pub 1-02, reference (f)). Conventional ammunition management responsibilities are partitioned as follows:

1. The following items, and other ammunition, explosives, and components in Federal supply classification group 13 not specifically excluded herein, are assigned for management by the SMCA:

a. Small arms, mortar, automatic cannon, artillery, and ship gun ammunition.

b. Bombs (cluster, fuel air explosive, general purpose, and incendiary).

c. Unguided rockets, projectiles, and submunitions.

d. Chemical ammunition with various fillers (incendiary, riot control, smoke, toxic agents, burster igniters, peptizers, and thickeners for flame fuel).

e. Land mines (ground-to-ground and air-to-ground delivered).

f. Demolition materiel.

g. Grenades.

h. Flares and pyrotechnics.

i. All items included in paragraphs 1.a. through h., above, such as explosives, propellants, chemical agents, cartridges, propelling charges, projectiles, warheads (with various fillers such as high explosive, illuminating, incendiary, antimateriel, and antipersonnel), fuzes, boosters, and safe and arm devices in bulk, combination, or separately packaged items of issue for complete round assembly.

j. Related ammunition containers and packing and packaging materials.

2. The following are retained for management by the Military Services:

a. Guided projectiles, rockets, missiles, and submunitions.

- b. Naval mines, torpedoes, and depth charges.
  - c. Nuclear ammunition and included items such as warhead, warhead sections, projectiles, demolition munitions, and nuclear training ammunition.
  - d. Cartridge and propellant-actuated devices.
  - e. Chaff and chaff dispensers.
  - f. Guidance kits for bombs and other ammunition.
  - g. Swimmer weapons.
  - h. Explosive ordnance disposal tools and equipment.
  - i. Related ammunition containers and packing and packaging materials.
3. Upon agreement between the SMCA and the Military Services, responsibility for excluded items may be assumed by the SMCA.